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1991 Aboriginal Post Censal Survey Results

Statistics Canada released information from the 1991 post censal survey of aboriginal persons today. This release is the first based on the major survey aboriginal persons in Canada which was conducted after the 1991 census. Data released today includes information on the count of the persons reporting an aboriginal identity by specific aboriginal group and by age and sex. Future releases from this survey planned during 1993 include topics such as lifestyle and social issues, traditions, schooling, work and related activities, and income and expenses.

Overall, some 34,585 NWT residents reported an aboriginal identity for the 1991 post censal survey. Specifically, among those with an aboriginal identity, some 9,805 reported North American Indian (predominantly Dene), some 3,895 Métis, and some 21,035 Inuit. The total of the specific aboriginal groups is larger than the overall total because some persons reported more than one aboriginal identity. Data for Canada, the provinces and territories is provided in the following table. Additional information for Northwest Territories is presented on the back page.

Population Reporting Aboriginal Identity, by Aboriginal Group
Canada, Provinces and Territories, 1991

	Total	North American Indian	Métis	Inuit
Canada	625,710	460,680	135,265	36,215
Northwest Territories	34,585	9,805	3,895	21,035
Yukon	4,520	4,280	190	80
British Columbia	101,135	93,040	9,030	500
Alberta	103,645	65,035	38,755	1,335
Saskatchewan	86,695	60,005	26,995	160
Manitoba	99,220	66,150	33,230	465
Ontario	114,895	102,925	12,055	780
Quebec	56,295	41,660	8,690	7,030
New Brunswick	5,295	5,155	100	55
Nova Scotia	8,815	8,590	225	55
Prince Edward Island	570	550	..	..
Newfoundland	10,030	3,485	2,075	4,710

NOTE: Specific aboriginal groups do not sum to total due to persons reporting more than one aboriginal identity.

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Population Reporting Aboriginal Identity, by Aboriginal Group, Age and Sex
Northwest Territories, 1991

	Total	Males	Females
Total	34,585	17,500	17,085
0 - 4 Years	5,445	2,785	2,660
5 - 14 Years	8,395	4,280	4,115
15 - 24 Years	6,985	3,535	3,450
25 - 34 Years	5,575	2,740	2,835
35 - 54 Years	5,510	2,755	2,760
55 Years and Over	2,670	1,410	1,265
North American Indian	9,805	4,975	4,830
0 - 4 Years	1,415	740	675
5 - 14 Years	2,170	1,085	1,085
15 - 24 Years	1,825	925	900
25 - 34 Years	1,615	790	820
35 - 54 Years	1,710	870	840
55 Years and Over	1,065	555	510
Métis	3,895	2,015	1,880
0 - 4 Years	565	285	280
5 - 14 Years	815	440	380
15 - 24 Years	840	450	395
25 - 34 Years	695	360	330
35 - 54 Years	700	330	370
55 Years and Over	270	150	125
Inuit	21,035	10,585	10,445
0 - 4 Years	3,500	1,775	1,725
5 - 14 Years	5,435	2,770	2,665
15 - 24 Years	4,340	2,175	2,165
25 - 34 Years	3,280	1,595	1,685
35 - 54 Years	3,125	1,555	1,570
55 Years and Over	1,350	715	635

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